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SUBJECT: UNIVERSAL MINES - PROPOSED DIAMOND CUTTING
PROJECT

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1. OPIC REPS MET WITH NATHAN LEIBLER AND SAMUEL PATENT OF UNIVERSAL MINES ON MAY 6 AT THEIR NEW YORK OFFICES AND WERE FAVORABLY IMPRESSED WITH COMPANY'S OPERATIONS. LITTLE SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS OF PROPOSED PROJECT AND OPIC'S POSSIBLE FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION WAS POSSIBLE DUE TO THE UNCERTAINTIES SURROUNDING THE PROJECT CAUSED BY LACK OF GOB RESPONSE TO THE COMPANY'S PROPOSAL.

2. OPIC REQUESTS EMBASSY FOLLOW UP WITH GOB PATENT'S LETTER OF FEBRUARY 18 TO GOALATHE TO ASCERTAIN GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST IN PURSUING THE PROJECT AND PROBLEMS GOB IS ENCOUNTERING IN PREPARING A RESPONSE TO THE PROJECT PROPOSAL. DECLASSIFY MAY 17, 1977. KISSINGER
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